Mr. M. L. Joseph *(Latin Christians-Cranganur):* Are the names of examiners in other subjects also confidential?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* Yes.

CENTRAL MEDICAL STORES—PURCHASE OF ARTICLES—INFORMATION REGARDING

200. Mr. M. L. Joseph *(Latin Christians-Cranganur):* Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) the names and official designations of the person or persons responsible for the purchase of articles to the Central Medical Stores;

(*b*) whether there is anybody other than the person or persons responsible for the purchase to supervise the distribution of medicines and other articles from the Central Medical Stores and to check the stock periodically;

(*c*) under whose charge is the Central Medical Stores now placed;

(*d*) whether the Government has at any time checked the stock in the Central Medical Stores?

Dr. T. Verghese *(Chief Medical Officer):* (*a*) The Medicine Purchase Committee consisting of the following members.—

(*i*) Chief Medical Officer,
(*ii*) Joint Secretary to Government,
(*iii*) Civil Surgeon, General Hospital.

(*b*) The Chief Medical Officer supervises the distribution of medicines and other articles from the Central Medical Stores. The registers are audited by the Local Audit Staff and the stock is checked yearly by an Assistant Surgeon deputed by the Chief Medical Officer.

(*c*) Chief Medical Officer.

(*d*) The stock is verified annually as noted above and the reports are submitted to Government.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT—NUMBER OF REFRIGERATORS PURCHASED SINCE CHINGAM 1114

201. Mr. M. L. Joseph *(Latin Christians-Cranganur):* Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) the number of refrigerators purchased since Chingam 1114 for the Medical Department;

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